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SHIFTING CHARGES FOR TELEPHONE
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the shifting charges of a telephone is higher than the installation charges;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government are considering to reduce the shifting charges; and

(d) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a)&(b): The normal installation charges for a new telephone connection are Rs.800/-. A rebate of Rs.500/- and Rs.250/- is allowed for provision of telephone instrument and internal wiring respectively by the subscriber.

The shifting charges for the existing telephone are Rs.600/-. The subscriber is allowed a rebate of Rs.300/- for internal wiring.

The two charges are not comparable as the efforts involved in case of shifting are much more in the form of disconnection, transfer and reconnection at a new place.

(c) At present, there is no proposal to reduce the shifting charges.

(d) Does not arise in view of (c) above.